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(U) Seminar on NFLSVN Political Platform and Uprising Budget.

(C) Notebook, maintained by an individual from an U/I unit, contains fragmentary notes taken during a Seminar held on an unspecified date [prob in mid-Dec '67] for the purpose of (1) discussing the political platform [issued by the NFLSVN]; (2) propagating the Winter-Spring "Determined-To-Win" Appeal by the NFLSVN; and (3) disclosing the most opportune time for the "uprising" as well as the purpose of the "uprising budget". The Seminar with Lawyer Nguyen Huu Tho [Chairman of the NFLSVN] as "honorary chairman" was attended by representatives from the Front Committee of an U/I City. Also contained in the notebook is an incomplete speech [in draft form] made by an U/I high-ranking cadre. This speech indicates that the place which had been initially planned for the Seminar was harassed for five consecutive days by FVNAF/RVNAF elements; therefore, a decision had been reached to shift to another location. It was further revealed that many of the people who attended the Seminar from the urban areas of T.D. Mot [Thu Dau Mot] had experienced numerous "dangers" in joining this Seminar. Mention was made, during the Seminar, of the four standpoints [previously] declared by the DRV and the five points stated by the NFLSVN. Noteworthy among the standpoints of the DRV is that the US should withdraw completely from SVN, stop the escalation of the war in the North indefinitely and recognize the NFLSVN as the sole representative of SVN.

The document affirms that the time for the "uprising" has come because the population is now ~~choosing~~ for peace and the balance of power is in favor of the VC. The VC are on the offensive. Other favorable factors for the insurgency are that the population in the US and all over the world are supporting the VC, and that the US Presidential election is coming soon. Special emphasis was placed on the implementation of an "uprising budget" to which the urban population [in Thu Dau Mot] should contribute to a large extent. This budget is intended to finance different expenditures once power is seized by the VC, such as food for US POW who, in any case, "should not be underfed". Other items of expenditures include "international diplomatic" expenses, relief funds for starving areas, and food expenses for RVN military and civil servants who surrender.

In discussing the NFLSVN political platform, many opinions were voiced stating that the immediate goals of the VC should consist of attaining a settlement whereby the relationship between the two areas

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|                   | <p>meaning North and South VN will be made on an independent and fruitful basis. The new regime for the South will require only "social changes" while economic matters will remain unaltered. An entirely new organizational structure will be established in which the population will be free to form political parties and to organize political demonstrations. Private businessmen on the other hand could freely do their business. Document further reveals the Soviet Union's promise to hold the DRV to set up a factory to "rebuild" small rockets. With regard to the coming FVNAF/RVNAF stratagem, document predicts that large-scale military operations will be conducted by the enemy in conjunction with further efforts to pacify the rural areas and to consolidate cities. In addition, a new peace offensive may be initiated by Allied countries.</p> <p>(U) CDEC COMMENT: No Further Exploitable Information.</p> <p>(C) Doi 40 (67b)</p> <p>(C) Item #1: PHS, dated 17 Jul 65, prepared by Ho Van Don, reveals that Don was born in 1943 in Tan Thanh Dong Vill, Cu Chi Dist, Binh Duong Prov, joined the VC revolution in Oct 62 and enlisted in Doi Unit 40 = 67b, on 12 Mar 65.</p> <p>(C) Item #2: PHS, dated 17 Jul 65, prepared by Nguyen Van Thuy aka Hai, reveals that Thuy was born on 21 Aug 42, Binh Hoa Vill, Nam Binh Prov North VN enlisted in Doi 40 (67B) on 25 Oct 64 and was admitted to the Youth on 25 Feb 65. Thuy was introduced to the unit by Cuong of F.300 and Xuong of F.100.</p> <p>(C) Item #3: PHS, dated 12 Feb 65, prepared by Mai Van Lap aka Mai Van Rang, reveals that Lap was born in Oct 50 in Dong Thanh Vill, Hoc Mon Dist, Gia Dinh Prov, joined the VC revolution in 1964 and enlisted in Doi 40 NLOB on 12 Feb 65. Document was certified by Nguyen Van Thau of an U/I unit.</p> <p>(U) CDEC COMMENT: No Further Exploitable Information.</p> <p>A. L. GALLI<br/>LTC, USA<br/>Dir, US Elm, CDEC</p> | <p>Date: Unk<br/>XT845211<br/>C/2/16 Inf,<br/>2/1st US Inf<br/>Div.<br/>Received CDEC:<br/>18 Jan 68</p> |

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